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U.S. Patent Nos. 3,657,973 and 3,801,167 were previously cited with the Statement filed June 23, 2003, and therefore, are not submitted herewith.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of a counterpart Search Report generated in European Application No. 03013863.0, citing such documents.

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